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FOR: D/LOS

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PSDC, PLOS, CO, US
SUBJECT: COLOMBIA'S RESPONSE TO SECRETARY'S LOS MESSAGE

REF: STATE 081298; BOGOTA 3449

1. FOLLOWING IS INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF APRIL 14 NOTE FROM
FOREIGN MINISTER LIEVANO TO CHARGE FOR TRANSMISSION TO SECRETARY
VANCE. IT IS IN RESPONSE TO EMBASSY'S NOTE OF APRIL 12 WHICH
CONVEYED REFTTEL'S MESSAGE:

"MR. SECRETARY:

THE GOVERNMENT OF COLOMBIA CONCURS WITH THAT OF THE
UNITED STATES IN ATTRIBUTING THE GREATEST IMPORTANCE TO
THE NEGOTIATION AND SIGNING OF A TREATY ON THE LAW OF THE
SEA, DISTINGUISHED BY ITS COMPLETENESS AND EQUITY. IT IS
WITH THIS CRITERION THAT OUR DELEGATION WILL ATTEND THE
NEXT SESSION OF THE LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE.

MY GOVERNMENT ALSO CONCURS IN DESIGNATING AS A SPECIAL
CATEGORY THE ISSUES OF DEEP SEABEDS AND THE COMMON
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PATRIMONY OF MANKIND, AND ESPECIALLY THE ADVANCES
GAINED BY NORWEGIAN MINISTER EVENSEN, IN THE INFORMAL
MEETING RECENTLY CONCLUDED IN GENEVA.

YOUR ADVISORS, MESSRS. G. DARMAN AND JOHN THOMAS
SMITH, WHOSE HIGH MISSION AND DISTINGUISHED PERSONAL
QUALIFICATIONS LEAD ONE TO EXPECT COMPLETE AND FRUITFUL
CONSULTATIONS, WILL BE RECEIVED BY THE HEAD OF THE

COLOMBIAN DELEGATION, AMBASSADOR GERMAN ZEA.

I SHOULD POINT OUT THAT MY GOVERNMENT, IN THE SAME MANNER IN WHICH IT RECOGNIZES THE TRANSCENDENCY OF THE DEEP SEABEDS ISSUE, ATTRIBUTES DECISIVE IMPORTANCE TO SEVERAL OF THE THEMES OF THE SECOND COMMISSION, AND TAKES THIS OPPORTUNITY TO POINT OUT TO THE UNITED STATES THE PRIORITY INTEREST WHICH COLOMBIA ATTRIBUTES TO THEMES SUCH AS THE EXCLUSIVE ECONOMIC ZONE, THE EXTENSION OF THE CONTINENTAL SHELF WHICH, IN OUR OPINION, CANNOT EXCEED A MAXIMUM OF 200 MILES, AND THE SYSTEM OF DELIMITING CONTIGUOUS OR CONFRONTING MARITIME AREAS. AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON THESE PROBLEMS AND OTHERS OF OBVIOUS IMPORTANCE SEEMS USEFUL AND TIMELY.

ACCEPT, EXCELLENCY, THE RENEWED ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHEST AND MOST DISTINGUISHED CONSIDERATION.

(SIGNED) INDALECIA LIEVANO AGUIRRE
MINISTER OF FOREIGN RELATIONS OF COLOMBIA"

2. A COPY OF THE COLOMBIAN NOTE (NUMBER 00186) IS BEING
POUCHED TO ARA/AND.
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